



"TO THINE OWN SELF BE TRUE, AND IT MUST FOLLOW AS THE NIGHT THE DAY: THOU CANST NOT THEN BE FALSE TO ANY MAN."

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## WESTMINSTER BANK.

WESTMINSTER, S. C.

HOURS: 8 A. M. TO 4 P. M.

### HIGH SCHOOL CLOSSES SESSION.

Twelve Graduates Go from Institution this Year—The Exercises.

The closing exercises of the Walhalla High School have held a prominent place in local events during the past few days, and to-day twelve graduates from the school are the proud possessors of diplomas from one of the best schools in the State, whose standard is recognized throughout the State as one of the highest class. Those who have this year completed the course are: Misses Clara Beth Ballenger, Minnie Belle Barker, Mary Cornelia Barton, Grace Watson Beard, Annie Eugenia Cason, Linnie Guynell Cudd, Minnie Ethel Davis, Lola Lovania Kelley, Ploma Christine Martin, Lora Lama Smith, Messrs Hiram Mason DuPre and Ansel Selden Umberger.

**Baccalaureate Sermon.**  
The sermon to the graduating class was preached Sunday night at 8.30 o'clock at the school auditorium, a large audience being present to hear the distinguished divine, Rev. T. V. McCaul, of Clemson College. He held the closest attention of his audience and made a most favorable impression upon all who heard his discourse.

On Monday night the oratorical contest for the R. T. Jaynes medal was held, there being ten contestants, as follows: Clifton Cobb, Marvin Burley, Frank Davis, Ellison Smith, Lee Davis, Ralph Hetrick, John Edwards, Albert Melburg, Boone Fitzgerald, Mason DuPre. The judges of the contest were Dr. J. L. Stokes, Major Wm. J. Stribling and Rev. T. L. Smith, and at the conclusion they announced that the medal had been awarded to Ellison Smith, whose ora-

tion was entitled "Spartacus to the Gladiators." Honorable mention was won by Albert Melburg ("The Unknown Rider") and Mason DuPre ("The New South.")

Each of the young contestants did well, and all can very properly feel pride in their attainments.

Yesterday morning the recitation contest for the G. M. Ansel medal was held, beginning at 10.30 o'clock. There were eighteen contestants for this medal, and the entertainment provided by these young ladies and girls was by no means a small part of the general closing program. Not a few found in this feature one of the best events on the closing exercises. Those who were so fortunate as to win the medal and honorable mention are: Miss Lila Smith, medal, ("The Crooked Mouth Family"); Miss Emma Sanders, Miss Sara Hutchison and Miss Marie Pitchford, honorable mention, in the order given. Their recitations were, respectively, "De Prodiekin Son," "A Baby's Soliloquy," and "Mae Jane." The judges of this contest were Rev. J. B. Umberger, Rev. G. M. Wilcox and R. T. Jaynes.

**The Graduating Class**  
made a splendid showing last night, their exercises bringing to a close their individual careers in the school and proving a fitting finale to the commencement season's pleasures and entertainments.

The evening's exercises were opened with an invocation by Rev. Geo. M. Wilcox. The class song was charmingly rendered, each of the twelve members having a part in its rendition.

Ansel Umberger delivered the salutatory, making a splendid impression and doing himself credit and the school honor.

The class history was read by Miss Minnie Barker, this feature proving quite interesting.

Music was interspersed between the reading of the class history and the "Class Prophecy," which was made by Miss Mary Cornelia Barton, proving that young lady to possess no mean ability as a "seer." Wit and humor appeared throughout the various prophecies.

The class prophecy was followed by the class oration, admirably delivered by Mason DuPre. The oration was well prepared and well delivered.

Music preceded the valedictory, which was delivered by Miss Grace Beard, the leader of the graduating class and honor pupil of the school for 1915. Miss Beard was the recipient of marked attentions from the audience, who found delight in giving expression to their admiration for her attainments during the year.

A music number was followed by the annual address, which was delivered by Dr. J. P. Kinard. This proved to be a most able effort. Dr. Kinard is a deep thinker and in presenting to the graduating class his thoughts he left with them much material for careful consideration in the years to come.

Dr. Kinard was followed by Superintendent H. W. Gasque, who, in a few brief remarks, delivered to the members of the graduating class their diplomas. The pronouncing of the benediction by Rev. J. B. Umberger, of the Lutheran church, brought the commencement exercises of 1915 to a close.

### Medals Won.

There were several medals offered by various persons for excellence in different departments of the school work.

Superintendent Gasque had offered a medal for the pupil making the highest average (scholarship medal) during the term. This medal was presented by Col. R. T. Jaynes to Miss Grace Beard, whose average for the year was 97.7.

Miss Elaine Lord's scholarship medal for members of the sixth grade was presented by Rev. J. L. Stokes to Miss Annie Wilson, whose average for the year was 94.9.

### The Little Folks.

One of the most interesting features of the entire program for the closing exercises was the operetta, rendered by the children of the lower grades, assisted by a few older boys and girls. The play was entitled "Under the Sugar Plum Tree." The little folks proved themselves most charming entertainers throughout, giving to those who witnessed the performance one of the brightest features of the week's entertainment.

**A Peculiar Circumstance**  
connected with the closing exercises this year is contained in the fact that of the ten young ladies and two young men who have just finished the course not one is a native of Walhalla, nor did any one of them pursue the studies in the first grade at the Walhalla school.

The Courier extends to the members of the class of 1915 hearty congratulations and all good wishes. In no less degree do we congratulate the teachers of the school, from the first grade up, upon the attainments of the year. The session just closed has been one of great success, and Walhalla feels proud of her school, her teachers and her children.

To teachers, graduates and pupils we express the hope that the vacation period may hold in store for each and all the very best that each may desire for himself and herself.

—Rev. G. M. Wilcox requests us to announce that there are quite a number of dedication programs left over from the service last Sunday, and if there are those who desire to secure a copy they can do so by calling at the Enterprise Bank, where George Seaborn, treasurer of the church, will be pleased to furnish copies, so long as they last, without charge.

—The body of little Elmer Robinson was brought to Walhalla last Friday from Atlanta, where the little one died Thursday night. The child's mother, who was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Morton, of Walhalla, died in Atlanta about two years of age and was buried here. The child was about four years of age, and was the second child of this family to die in Atlanta.

### OFFICIALS OVER THE ROUTE.

Southern and Blue Ridge Officials Take Trip Into the Mountains.

H. W. Miller, vice president of the Southern Railway and president of the Blue Ridge Railway, in company with E. H. Shaw, assistant traffic manager of the Southern, and J. R. Anderson, superintendent of the Blue Ridge Railway, were in Walhalla last Sunday for the day. They took a trip into the mountains, going first over the Blue Ridge right-of-way to the tunnel, inspecting the work that has been done these many years, and looking over the country in general.

Mr. Miller has but recently succeeded to the vice presidency of the Southern, assuming the duties of that office where the lamented Mr. Andrews laid them down, and this was his first tour of inspection of the Blue Ridge property. It was also Mr. Shaw's first official trip into this section of the country. Both were delighted with the country over which they traveled. Mr. Miller announced that it is his intention to inspect the property of the company once every month, or as near to monthly as possible. Walhalla will, therefore, see more of him than was seen of his predecessor, whose age operated to prevent his visiting so frequently the towns in the territory of the Southern and Blue Ridge.

The party was "chaperoned" by R. T. Jaynes, Esq., attorney for the Blue Ridge, and after the trip to the tunnel, the party was driven by auto up to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. G. Russell. At this delightful spot the party stayed for a time, enjoying the beautiful scenery of the country and hospitality of this home. They returned late in the afternoon and expressed themselves as delighted with the trip and most favorably impressed with the possibilities of the mountain section.

There have been many rumors as to the meaning of the trip, and not a few conjectures have been made as to the possibilities of the near future as bearing upon railroad matters. The trip had absolutely no significance so far as the building of the road is concerned, we were informed. Mr. Miller thought that the road bed beyond Walhalla was in much better shape than he found it, and his hopes of going into the mountains above here with a track in order to secure good ballast at a low cost were dashed. One look at the general condition told him that the project was impracticable. There will, therefore, be no extension of the line beyond Walhalla even for this purpose. The more distant future may hold something in store as regards construction, but nothing for the near future is in sight.

### "Pigs is Pigs."

An amusing incident occurred while the party was at the Russell home. Mr. and Mrs. Russell were absent, having gone over to Pine Mountain, Ga., to attend services. The party, however, were welcomed by two young daughters of the household. The gentlemen were shown the famous Russell spring, from which they drank without stint. Later they espied the dairy building a short distance away, and they found here quantities of rich milk and richer cream and plenty of fine butter.

Mr. Miller inquired if the milk could be bought, stating that he would like to have some of it, but would not accept it except as a purchase. The young ladies were consulted, and they consented to sell as much of the milk as might be desired. Mr. Miller and his companions drank a glass, and it was good, fine, excellent. One glass called for a companion "down in the depths," and the query was made if more could be spared. It could. Mr. Miller has capacity as well for milk as for handling big railroad affairs. Could it be possible that more milk could be spared. "Oh, yes; we only keep it here to feed to the pigs."

The young lady doubtless reasoned that "Pigs is Pigs," and it was not so much difference which pigs got it.

Udine, Italy, May 23.—A dispatch from Pola says workmen in the dock yard revolted and many were shot and killed. Survivors were sent to a prison in Bohemia.

At Zara, Spalato and Sebenico, three towns in Dalmatia, all Italian

### FORM LUTHERAN CONFERENCE.

Meetings Will Be Held in Walhalla Next Friday, Saturday, Sunday.

(Lutheran Visitor.)

Pastors and lay delegates of Lutheran congregations of the Piedmont section of South Carolina will meet May 28th in St. John's Lutheran church, Walhalla, S. C., Rev. J. B. Umberger, pastor, to organize the Piedmont Conference.

Friday, May 28th.

10.30 a. m.—Temporary organization.

11 a. m.—Divine service, with sermon by Rev. S. T. Hallman, D. D., followed by holy communion.

2 p. m.—Topic 1, "The Piedmont Section and the Lutheran Church," opened by Rev. C. L. Miller; business; adoption of constitution; permanent organization.

Topic 2, "How May the Laymen Help the Pastor to Render His Work More Effective," Kenneth Baker, O. H. Schumacher, Jr., and delegate from Spartanburg.

8 p. m.—Divine service, with sermon by Rev. Jas. D. Kinard.

Saturday.

10 a. m.—Devotional services; business.

Topic 3, "The Relation of the Individual to the Congregation of Which He is a Member," Rev. C. L. Miller and J. A. Ansel.

Topic 4, "The Relation of the Congregation to the Synod of Which it is a Member," Rev. S. T. Hallman, D. D., and delegate from First Church of Greenville.

2 p. m.—Devotional services.

Topic 5, "The Lutheran Church and Her Children—(a) Parental and Catechetical Instruction," J. B. Umberger and Clarence Norman; (b) "The Sunday School," Rev. Jas. D. Kinard and V. L. Norman.

Sunday.

9.30 a. m.—Sunday school, with addresses.

11 a. m.—Divine services, with sermon by Rev. Jas. D. Kinard.

**St. John's Church, Walhalla.**  
extends an urgent call to all members of the congregation to be present at all the meetings and services during the three days of this promised interesting meeting. A most cordial invitation is also extended to the members of other denominations to attend as regularly as possible. All will be most heartily welcomed.

### STATE BORROWS CHEAP MONEY.

Low Rate of 2.69 Per Cent is Lowered to 2.44.

Columbia, May 21.—The State of South Carolina to-day borrowed \$600,000 at 2.69 per cent interest per annum from the National Bank of Sumter to meet the running expenses of the State government until taxes come in. This is the lowest rate of interest ever secured by the State. The money is available at once. It is to be repaid in January out of the taxes. The loan is accounted a great stroke for Governor Manning. This act will save thousands of dollars to the taxpayers of South Carolina. The loan was awarded to the National Bank of Sumter by the financial board of the State, which is composed of Governor Manning, Comptroller General Sawyer and State Treasurer Carter. The Sumter bank was the lowest of several bidders.

### Lowest on Record.

The rate 2.69 per year is the lowest ever secured by the State, the lowest heretofore having been 3 per cent, which was secured once during the administration of Governor Ansel and once during the administration of Governor Bleas. The State last year during the summer under Governor Bleas borrowed \$350,000 to meet the running expenses of the State, for which they paid 3½ per cent interest, and last fall under Governor Bleas the State borrowed \$110,000, for which they paid 6 per cent.

### Columbia Bank Buys Bid.

Columbia, May 24.—The interest rate on the loan of \$600,000 was reduced from 2.69 to 2.44 per cent to-day when the Palmetto National Bank, of Columbia, purchased the bid secured by the National Bank of Sumter. The local bank paid \$1,000 for the bid.

notables are said to have been arrested and other Italians ordered to leave within a day.

### THE SENECA SCHOOL CLOSSES.

Graduating Class Numbers Seven. Good Showers Have Fallen.

Seneca, May 25.—Special: Commencement exercises of Seneca High School are in progress and have proved most interesting. On Sunday night the baccalaureate sermon was preached by Rev. A. N. Brunson, of Spartanburg.

Monday morning the young girls of the lower grades contested for Mrs. C. V. McCarey's elocution medal. The medal was awarded to Martha Stribling, the second place going to Josie Dendy.

Monday night was given over to the two contests for the Brock medal for oratory and Mrs. W. J. Holloway's declaimers' medal. These went to Charles Dalton and G. W. Gignilliat, respectively, the second places going to Marshall Dendy and Charles Gignilliat.

Tuesday morning the teachers' elocution medal will be contested for by the girls of the high school, and class day exercises will be held.

Tuesday night commencement exercises will be held, and the address will be made by Prof. J. L. Vass, of Furman University. Following is the graduating class: Misses Vivien Bradberry, Lillian Gosnell, May Stribling, Annie Walker, Winifred Adams, Jessie Lawrence and Willie Cox. Miss Annie Walker writes the valedictory and Willie Cox the salutatory.

### Local Notes.

Mrs. O. F. Bacon has returned from a delightful visit to points in Georgia.

Mrs. D. P. Thomson visited relatives in Greenville last week.

Splendid rains have fallen and gardens are bearing, snap beans being plentiful at this time.

Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Jones, of Greenville, are visiting Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Doyle.

A number of friends attended the birthday celebration of Rev. T. C. Ligon at Townville last Friday. The occasion marked the coming together of a large number of friends, who were pleased to express their best wishes to this venerable man upon attaining such a ripe age, and to wish him "many happy returns."

Seneca was well represented at the dedication exercises of the new Presbyterian church in Walhalla last Sunday.

Mrs. W. F. Austin is attending commencement at Winston-Salem, N. C., and will witness the graduation of her niece, Miss Gladys Ramsay.

Mrs. James Lowry is visiting her mother at Hattiesburg, Miss.

Mrs. T. E. Stribling has returned from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Raymond Monroe, at Laurinburg, N. C.

### Fairview Union Meeting.

The regular meeting of Fairview Local Farmers' Union will be held at the usual meeting place on Saturday, June 5th, at 2 o'clock. At the request of County Demonstration Agent Barnett this meeting has been turned over to the demonstration forces and will be devoted exclusively to demonstration work. There will be several experts from Clemson College present to give practical talks and demonstrations along the lines of poultry raising and dairying. It is earnestly hoped that all the ladies will attend. There will be something to interest all, both ladies and gentlemen, and the demonstration forces will endeavor to make this one of the most practical and beneficial meetings ever held at Fairview.

Let everybody bear this meeting in mind and attend if it is possible.

### Becker Must Die.

Albany, N. Y., May 25.—Charles Becker, the former New York police lieutenant, twice convicted of the slaying of Herman Rosenthal, a New York gambler, in front of the Hotel Metropole on July 16, 1912, must expiate his crime in the electric chair. The Court of Appeals to-day so decided the fate of the former head of the New York City "strong arm squad." Judge Hogan wrote a dissenting opinion.

### Double Springs Cemetery.

All persons interested in Double Springs cemetery will please meet on the 29th of May (next Saturday) at 3 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing a new committee.